

Cath Petroskey - State parks fee

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Cathy,

I was unable to attend this mornings hearing on the proposed State Park funding through the license plate fee.

Having just retired, I plan on having more to an opportunity to visit and use our wonderful parks. The method of funding our parks will be an easier and frankly cheaper way for my wife and me to use the parks. We have an opportunity to gather the necessary funds to keep them in the shape that makes Michiganders proud. If we let the parks deteriorate we will loose the gems that make the quality of life so wonderful here in Michigan.

For those opting out of the park fee, though justified, are missing the point that the parks belong to all of us, whether we use them or not. The revenue generated by the visitors the local economy benefits, whether its the local gas station, bait store, restaurant, tavern or anyplace else that visitors spent money.

If you would please pass along my feelings to the Committee members, I would truly appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Steve Wyckoff